

Remarks

The claims have been amended as discussed with the Examiner in a telephone conversation September 1, 2009. By this amendment claims 1 and 10 have been amended.

Conclusion

Applicants submit that claims 1-20 distinguish patentably and non-obviously over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. An early indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

If any fees are due in connection with this Preliminary Amendment, the authorization to charge deposit account 14-1270 for the fees associated therewith is hereby provided.

Respectfully submitted,



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